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October 24, 2003

Via Mail & Facsimile: 202.219.3923

Jesse B. Christensen
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Jose Casal
Case No. MUR 5389
Request for Extension of Time

Dear Mr. Christensen:

I am in receipt of your October 7, 2003 letter regarding a probable cause finding involving Jose Casal. According to my records, Mr. Casal's response is due October 29, 2003, which is 15 days from my receipt of your letter.

Because Mr. Casal is out of the country, I have not yet been able to discuss your letter with him, nor have I received an executed Statement of Designation of Counsel. I will, however, forward a designation to you immediately upon receipt.

In order to do justice to Mr. Casal's response, as well as to engage in conciliation negotiations, I request a 20-day extension of time, until November 18, 2003. Mr. Casal, as you know, resolved the identical matter with the Florida Elections Commission in February 2003, and had believed all matters pertaining to the subject campaign had been concluded. Now that your office has found probable cause, my office needs to work with Mr. Casal in developing an appropriate response.

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Thank you for your anticipated favorable response to my extension request.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Jose Casal (via mail & facsimile)